

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-18 (Canceled)

Claim 19 (New): A system comprising:

 a communication device; and

 an intermediary facility;

 wherein text is transmitted from the communication device to a receiver through the intermediary facility for a fee, and the receiver contact information is hidden from the communication device.

Claim 20 (New): The system of claim 1, wherein the intermediary facility is one of a website and a server.

Claim 21 (New): The system of claim 1, wherein the text is transmitted as one of an electronic mail (e-mail) message and physically mailed.

Claim 22 (New): The system of claim 1, wherein the receiver is one of a famous person and a publicly known person.

Claim 23 (New): The system of claim 1, wherein the contact information is one of an address, an e-mail address and an account.

Claim 24 (New): The system of claim 1, wherein the receiver receives a benefit by receiving the text, and the benefit is one of a personal benefit and a benefit given to a charity.

Claim 25 (New): The system of claim 1, wherein the text is transmitted on a network.

Claim 26 (New): The system of claim 1, where the communication device receives a confirmation of delivery of the text, and the confirmation of delivery is one of text, graphics, and text and graphics.

Claim 27 (New): The system of claim 30, wherein the confirmation of delivery is received as one of an e-mail and material delivered as physical mail.

Claim 28 (New): The system of claim 1, wherein the fee is one of paid for by a user of the communication device and a sponsor of the intermediary facility, and the fee is paid to one of an account of the intermediary facility, an account of the receiver, and an account of a charitable entity.

Claim 29 (New): A method comprising:
connecting a communication device with an intermediary facility;
selecting a receiver to receive text;
transferring a fee; and
transmitting the text from the communication device to the receiver through the intermediary facility,
wherein contact information of the receiver is hidden from the communication device.

Claim 30 (New): The method of claim 29, wherein the fee is transferred from one of a user of the communication device and a sponsor of the intermediary facility, and the fee is paid to one of an account of the intermediary facility, an account of the receiver and an account of a charitable entity.

Claim 31 (New): The method of claim 29, wherein the text is transmitted as one of an electronic mail (e-mail) message and transmitted as physical mail to the receiver.

Claim 32 (New): The method of claim 29, wherein the receiver is one of a famous person and a publicly known person.

Claim 33 (New): The method of claim 29, wherein the contact information is one of an address, an e-mail address and an account.

Claim 34 (New): The method of claim 29, further comprising:
receiving a benefit by the receiver when the text is received,
wherein the benefit is one of a personal benefit and a benefit given to a charity.

Claim 35 (New): The method of claim 29, wherein the text is transmitted on a network.

Claim 36 (New): The method of claim 29, further comprising:
receiving a confirmation of delivery of the text by a user of the communication device,
wherein the confirmation of delivery is one of text, graphics, and text and graphics, and the confirmation of delivery is received as one of an e-mail and material delivered as physical mail.

Claim 37 (New): A machine-accessible medium containing instructions that, when executed, cause a machine to:

connect a communication device with an intermediary facility;
transfer a fee; and
transmit text from the communication device to a receiver account through the intermediary facility,
wherein contact information of the receiver is hidden from the device.

Claim 38 (New): The machine-accessible medium of claim 37, wherein the fee is transferred from one of a user and a sponsor of the intermediary facility, and the fee is paid to one of an account of the intermediary facility, an account of the receiver and an account of a charitable entity.

Claim 39 (New): The machine-accessible medium of claim 37, wherein the text is transmitted as an electronic mail (e-mail) message.

Claim 40 (New): The machine-accessible medium of claim 37, wherein the receiver account is associated with a receiver, wherein the receiver is one of a famous person and a publicly known person.

Claim 41 (New): The machine-accessible medium of claim 37, wherein the contact information is one of an address, an e-mail address and an account of the receiver.

Claim 42 (New): The machine-accessible medium of claim 37, further containing instructions that, when executed, cause a machine to:

transmit a benefit to the receiver when the text is received,
wherein the benefit is one of a personal benefit and a benefit given to a charity.

Claim 43 (New): The machine-accessible medium of claim 37, further containing instructions that, when executed, cause a machine to:

transmit a confirmation of delivery of the text from the receiver to a user of the communication device,
wherein the confirmation of delivery is one of text, graphics, and text and graphics.

Claim 44 (New): The machine-accessible medium of claim 43, wherein the confirmation of delivery is one of an e-mail and material delivered as physical mail.